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The Honorable Stansfield Turner
Director of Central Intelligence
Central Intelligence Agency
Washington, D. C. 20505

Dear Mr. Director:

I enclose, for your information, the revised Study by this Committee on the A Team-B Team Experiment (of 1976-1977) concerning competing assessments of Soviet strategic weapons questions.

As you are aware, the Committee made a thorough re-check of the record, after having received the views of B Team members Richard Pipes, Paul Nitze, and Daniel Graham on the Committee's initial examination.

As compared with the initial draft, the present Report:

- ° Includes documentation at annex.
- ° Clarifies the fact that the B Team on Soviet Objectives was constituted by the PFIAB and the DCI.
- ° Clarifies the fact that the B Team did expand its original mandate, but only after having checked with Mr. Robert Galvin, who headed the PFIAB's NIE Committee, and Mr. John [redacted] the DCI's representative.

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- ° Clarifies various matters of detail.
- ° Retains essentially the same judgments as the initial Committee Report on most of the major questions at issue in the A-B episode.
- ° Includes separate views by Senators Gary Hart, Daniel Patrick Moynihan, and Malcolm Wallop.

The Committee wishes to thank you for the cooperation you and your officers gave the Committee in this endeavor.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Birch", written in dark ink.

Birch Bayh
Chairman

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